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again, but I'm with them. They have been walled in by these rules. They have not walled out the big boys and they have not walled out State Farm, Metropolitan Life or the Internet banking. So there is no more protection. All there is is the diminution of opportunities for small banks and a diminution for big banks who want to compete and go to the big cities in Nebraska, and we ought to let them do it. We have unlimited branching in Douglas County and Sarpy County and banking is just fine there, and this state can live with the same rule that 48 other states have. The toughest cap, the second toughest cap in the country and the same rule as 48 other states, that's the profile of public policy we can endorse.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR LANDIS: I ask for the advancement of LB 1089.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. The house is under call. All present senators are accounted for. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 1089 to E & R Initial. All in favor of that vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on advancement of LB 1089 to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted? Record, please, Mr. Clerk. A record vote has been requested.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Record vote read. Legislative Journal page 877.) The vote is 32 ayes, 5 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 1089 does advance to E & R Initial. I do raise the call. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Next item, Mr. President, is LB 29 introduced by Senators Redfield, Schimek, Byars, and Dwite Pedersen. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 4 of 2001, referred to the Business and Labor Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments attached. (AM0917, Legislative Journal page 1007, First Session, 2001.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Redfield to